

STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD  
RESOLUTION NO. 2001 - 079

AUTHORIZATION FOR THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, OR DESIGNEE,  
TO APPLY FOR AND ACCEPT FEDERAL FUNDS, NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 PER YEAR ON AN  
ANNUAL BASIS FOR THE NEXT 5 YEARS, AND  
TO NEGOTIATE FUTURE GRANT AMENDMENTS WITHIN THIS AUTHORITY,  
FROM THE U.S. EPA TO SUPPORT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SANTA MONICA BAY  
NATIONAL ESTUARY PROGRAM'S COMPREHENSIVE CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT  
PLAN.

1. Santa Monica Bay has been designated a "National Estuary" by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (U.S. EPA) Administrator, and a "State Estuary" by the California Legislature, which requires the implementation of a Comprehensive Conservation and Management Plan (CCMP); and
2. Section 320 of the Federal Clean Water Act establishes the National Estuary Program (NEP) for the purposes of funding the implementation of the CCMP in selected estuaries of national interest; and
3. In December 1994, the Governor of California approved the Bay Restoration Plan (the CCMP for Santa Monica Bay) for implementation, and in March 1995 the U.S. EPA Administrator approved the Bay Restoration Plan for implementation; and
4. The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project was established in 1988 when it was included in the National Estuary Program in order to restore the beneficial uses of Santa Monica Bay, and has received NEP funding partly through the SWRCB since that time; and
5. The Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project expects to receive NEP funds for implementation of the Bay Restoration Plan over the next 5 years; and
6. The SWRCB continues to support the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project and wishes to see the program achieve its implementation goals.

THEREFORE IT BE RESOLVED THAT:

The SWRCB authorizes the Executive Director, or designee, to apply for and accept federal funds, not to exceed \$500,000 per year on an annual basis for the next 5 years, and to negotiate future grant amendments within this authority, from the U.S. EPA to support the Santa Monica Bay Restoration Project for implementation of the Bay Restoration Plan.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned, Clerk to the Board, does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on June 21, 2001.

/s/  
Maureen Marché  
Clerk to the Board